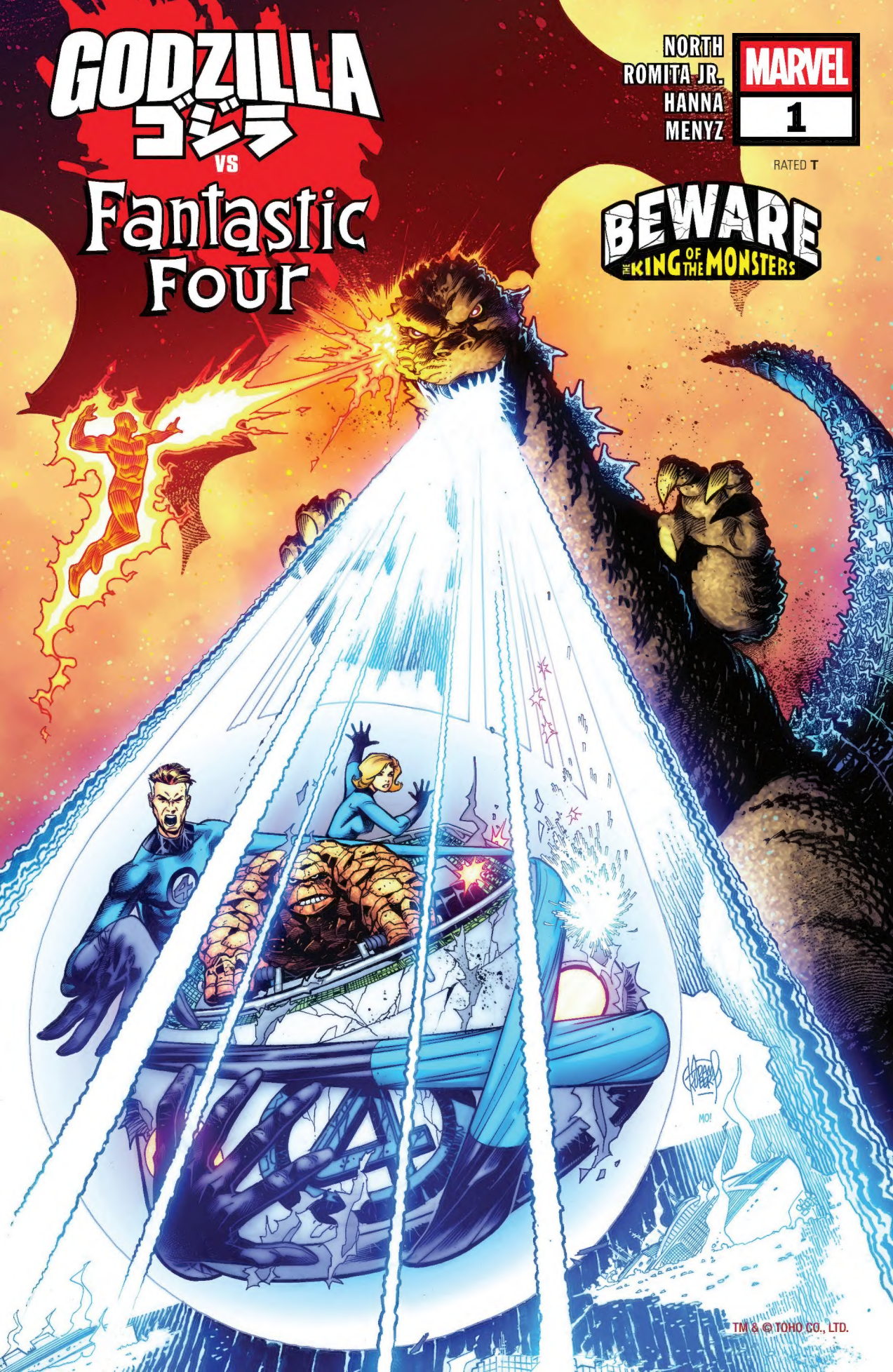
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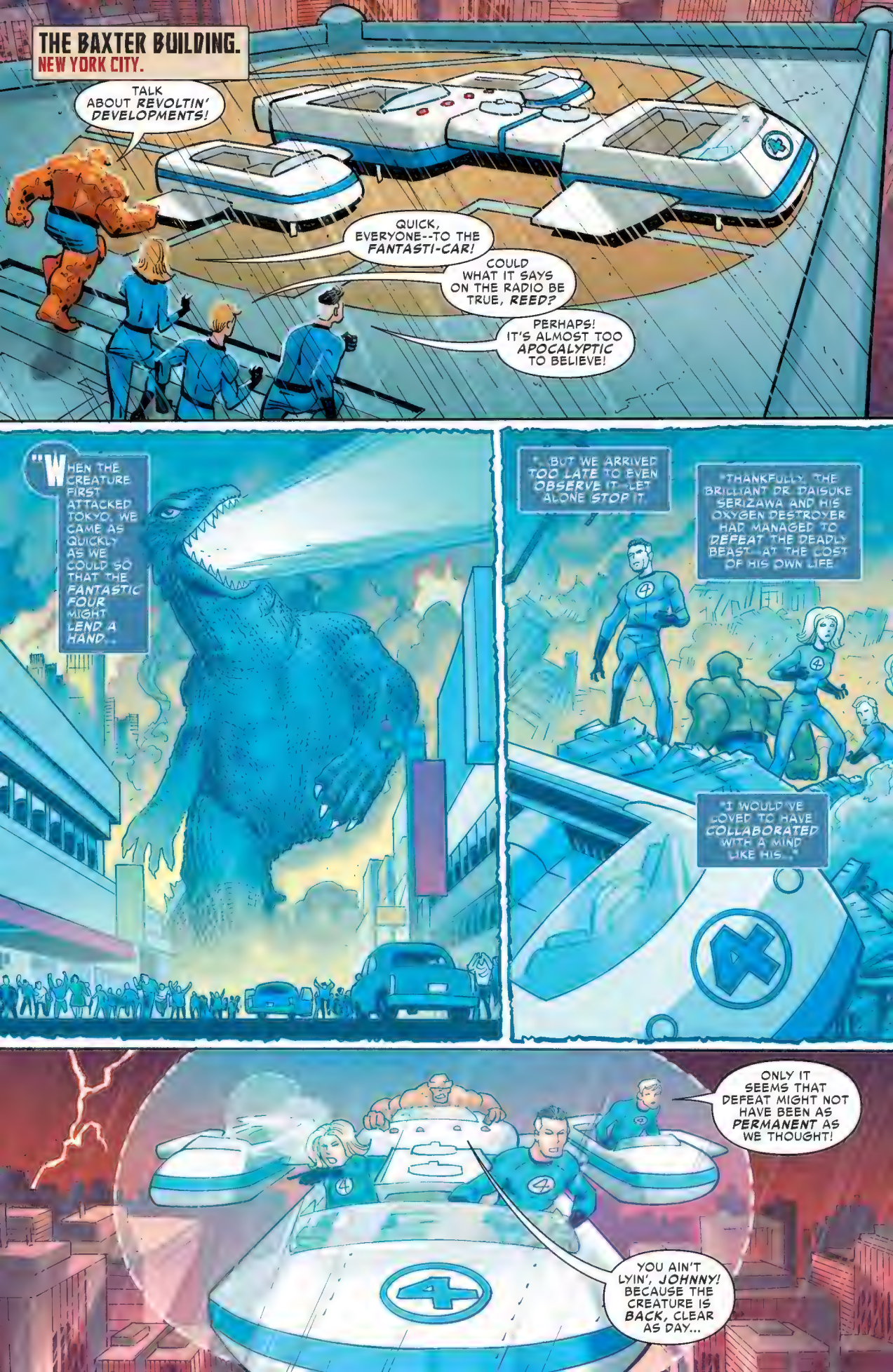
THE BAXTER BUILDING.
NEW YORK CITY.
TALK ABOUT REVOLTIN' DEVELOPMENTS!
QUICK, EVERYONE--TO THE FANTASTI-CAR!
COULD WHAT IT SAYS ON THE RADIO BE TRUE, REED?
PERHAPS! IT'S ALMOST TOO APOCALYPTIC TO BELIEVE!
"WHEN THE CREATURE FIRST ATTACKED TOKYO, WE CAME AS QUICKLY AS WE COULD SO THAT THE FANTASTIC FOUR MIGHT LEND A HAND...
"...BUT WE ARRIVED TOO LATE TO EVEN OBSERVE IT, LET ALONE STOP IT.
"THANKFULLY, THE BRILLIANT DR. DAISUKE SERIZAWA AND HIS OXYGEN DESTROYER HAD MANAGED TO DEFEAT THE DEADLY BEAST...AT THE COST OF HIS OWN LIFE.
"I WOULD'VE LOVED TO HAVE COLLABORATED WITH A MIND LIKE HIS..."
ONLY IT SEEMS THAT DEFEAT MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN AS PERMANENT AS WE THOUGHT!
YOU AIN'T LYIN', JOHNNY! BECAUSE THE CREATURE IS BACK, CLEAR AS DAY...

...BUT GODZILLA'S GOT A FANTASTIC FOUR PROBLEM NOW!!

FLAME ON!!!

IF WHAT IT DID TO TOKYO HAPPENS TO *NEW YORK*...

OH, IT WON'T! WE'RE GONNA TAKE THIS CREATURE DOWN FAST, SUE...

...STARTING WITH A FINE *HOW D'YA DO* FROM *THE THING!*

SMACK

AND THESE FORCE-FIELD BLASTS FROM THE INVISIBLE GIRL OUGHT TO BE ENOUGH TO MAKE IT RECONSIDER!
GREAT THINKING, SUE! AND IF NOT, MY PATENTED FIREBALLS WILL TIP THE SCALES!

SMAK SMAK
I GOTTA SAY, KIDS-- THAT PAIRS NICELY WITH A CLOBBERIN'!

AND JUST TO BE CERTAIN, I'LL STRETCH MYSELF OUT...

...AND MAKE MYSELF A FIST--

--CAPABLE OF TAKING DOWN GODZILLA!
KRA-SMAKK
RRARRRRRGH!
KA-THUNK
HOW D'YA LIKE THAT? IT LOOKS LIKE A MONSTER, BUT IT'S ACTUALLY A MILKSOP!
...BUT IF THAT'S TRUE, HOW'D IT MANAGE TO NEARLY TAKE OUT TOKYO? IT'S ALMOST LIKE...
...LIKE IT'S NOT DONE WITH US YET.

SKRREEEAARRRGGKKKKKKK

HOLY HANNAH! SUE, IF YOU HADN'T--

IF I HADN'T *SHIELDED* US--TAKING ALL MY STRENGTH AND *THEN* SOME--WE WOULD ALL BE *DEAD.*

"WOULD BE"? I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, SIS, BUT I FEEL LIKE I BARELY SURVIVED THINGS AS IT IS!

WE'RE *ALL* LUCKY TO BE ALIVE. NORMALLY, I'D RECOMMEND WE GO *RECOVER*--AND UNDERGO *TREATMENT* FOR OUR *RADIATION EXPOSURE*...

...BUT I'M AFRAID THAT WILL HAVE TO WAIT. WE'RE OUT OF TIME.
KRAKK
...AND GODZILLA HAS REACHED NEW YORK.
AS THE FANTAST-CAR IS SIGNALED OUT OF ITS HOLDING POSITION, THE FANTASTIC FOUR COME UP WITH A PLAN...
THOSE BUILDIN'S-- THERE WUZ PEOPLE THERE! HUNDREDS OF 'EM!
AND THERE'RE COUNTLESS MORE IN GODZILLA'S PATH.
AN EVACUATION ORDER'S ALREADY GONE OUT. BUT IF WE'RE TO STOP THIS MONSTER, WE'RE GOING TO NEED SOMETHING BIGGER THAN THE FOUR OF US.
I HAVE AN IDEA, BUT IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY...
...AND THE COST MAY WELL BE CATASTROPHIC.
ANYTHING WE CAN DO, REED, WE HAVE TO TRY IT--COSTS BE DAMNED. WE NEED TO SAVE WHOEVER WE CAN.
BUT HOW CAN WE STOP A MONSTER THAT CAN KILL US WITH JUST A THOUGHT?
HEY, WE'RE HEADED BACK TO TH' BAXTER BUILDING! THAT'S RIGHT IN ITS PATH, BIG BRAIN!
THAT'S INTENTIONAL, OLD FRIEND.
I INTEND TO TAKE THE ENTIRE NEW YORK STATE POWER GRID AND FEED IT DIRECTLY INTO THE BAXTER BUILDING.
CREATING AN ELECTRICAL BOOBY TRAP WHEN IT SMASHES IT--OF COURSE! BUT, HONEY, THOSE MODIFICATIONS WILL TAKE TIME...
INDEED, SUSAN. AND WE HAVE SO LITTLE LEFT THAT I'LL NEED TO BE INSIDE THE BUILDING WHEN WE DO IT. IN SHORT, WHILE THIS ATTACK SHOULD NEUTRALIZE THE MONSTER...
...I BELIEVE IT IS LIKELY TO KILL ME.

WELL, YA AIN'T DOIN' THIS ALONE. STRETCHINESS WON'T HELP WHEN A BUILDIN' DROPS ON YA--BUT STRENGTH MIGHT.
AND FORCE-FIELDS.
HECK, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO MELT A WAY OUT OF THE DEBRIS.
NO. I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO RISK YOUR LIVES FOR THIS.
REED, THERE'S NO TIME TO ARGUE. GIVEN THE CHOICE BETWEEN YOUR CERTAIN DEATH AND THE FOUR OF US HAVING AT LEAST HOPE OF SURVIVAL, I KNOW WHAT CHOICE I'LL MAKE.
EVERY TIME, REED.
C'MON. WE'RE TH' FANTASTIC FOUR--NOT TH' FANTASTIC CORPSE AND HIS THREE BUDDIES.
...YOU ARE, BOTH COLLECTIVELY AND INDIVIDUALLY, THE GREATEST FRIENDS I'VE EVER KNOWN.
LET'S GO.
AND SO:
QUICKLY! WE HAVE TO ATTACH THESE ELECTRICAL MAINS TO THE INTERIOR BUILDING SUPPORTS!
I'M PREVENTING THE ELECTRICITY FROM ARCING THROUGH YOU--BUT I CAN'T HOLD IT FOREVER!
GODZILLA'S ALMOST HERE--IF YOU'RE GONNA DO SOMETHING, NOW'S THE TIME!

VERILY, THE DRAGON IS SAVAGE BEYOND COMPARE!
OOPS--I'M A LITTLE TOO LATE TO CRASH THIS PARTY...
IF I WERE YOU, I'D SHIFT MY MASS INTO ITS INTANGIBLE STATE--
THEN WE STARE MY WORST FEAR STRAIGHT IN THE EYE. HE'S HEADING FOR THE TALLEST BUILDING IN SIGHT...
THE EMPIRE STA
BLAST I CUT
NO--NOT EVEN THAT.
BUT AT LEAST I DISTRACTED HIM--
--LONG ENOUGH FOR JOHNNY TO RECOVER. NOW I HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT STRETCHING BACK TO THE FANTASTI-CAR--!
... AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT WAS A CLASS-A BEAUT.
SO I'M SUGGESTING THAT YOU TRY TO LURE HIM OUT TO THE RIVER AND--
THANKS.
AND ONCE YOU REACH THE RIVER--
THE FEVER REACHES CRITICAL PEAK--
SPASH!
BUHKOOM
--AGAINST THE KING OF ALL MONSTERS!
FASTER, BEN! IF GODZILLA SHOULD REACH THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING--
YEAH, YEAH, STRETCH, I KNOW--TA HIM IT'S NO MORE'N A BIG TINKER-TOY BEGGIN' TO BE KNOCKED DOWN...
... BUT TA ME, IT'S
I'LL FLY AHEAD, REED--TRY TO APPLY SOME HEAT TO THE TROUBLE SPOT...
SCENE: NEW YORK'S EAST RIVER.
PROBLEM: GODZILLA HAS RISEN BERSERK, SENDING THE CITY INTO A FEVER OF PANDEMONIUM.
YOU MAY HAVE SLOWED DOWN THE OTHERS, FOUL-MOUTH--
--BUT THIS IS ONE HOTSHOT WHO'S DEFINITELY IN HIS ELEMENT, SO YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO FIND SOME OTHER WAY TO KNOCK THE HUMAN TORCH OUTTA THE--
IT'S ENRAGED HIM, AND YOU SEEM TO BE THE TARGET FOR HIS RAGE...

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RARRRGGHHH!
ZZZZZZKKKKKK
ZZZZZZZKKKKKK
ZZZZZZKKKKKK
KRAKOOOOOM

GOOD NEWS, KIDDOS: WE AIN'T *DEAD!*
THOUGH IT DON'T NECESSARILY *FEEL* LIKE IT. HOLY HANNAH, I'M GONNA BE SMARTIN' FOR A *WEEK.*
AND NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON, BEN. I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANYTHING *LEFT.*
SAME. TURNS OUT IT *DOES* TAKE SOMETHING OUT OF THE *HUMAN TORCH* WHEN YOU DROP A *BUILDING* ON HIM.
FASCINATING: THE RAIN SEEMS TO HAVE STOPPED TOO. COULD THAT HAVE BEEN AN *EFFECT* OF GODZILLA'S APPEARANCE--OR EVEN A *CAUSE?*
THEY DON'T *APPEAR* TO BE RELATED, BUT--
THAT'S 'CUS IT'S *NOT,* STRETCH. LOOK AT THE SKIES.
THEY'RE *FLAMES!* BUT THE LAST TIME THAT HAPPENED, IT WAS THE *WATCHER* DISGUISING THE EARTH, TRYING TO HIDE IT...
...FROM THE HERALD OF *GALACTUS,* THE *DEVOURER OF WORLDS.*
YEAH, BUT GALACTUS AIN'T *GOT* A HERALD NO MORE--THE *SILVER SURFER'S* TRAPPED HERE,* ON EARTH, AFTER *DEFYIN'* HIM!
TRUE. BUT IF THIS INDICATES GALACTUS IS *RETURNING...*
...AND HE'S ACQUIRED A *NEW* HERALD...
*SEE *FANTASTIC FOUR VOL. 1, #50!* --MECHA MARK

"...THEN MAY GOD HAVE MERCY ON US ALL."
BUT TODAY, THERE WAS NO MERCY--AND NO HOPE.
FOR TODAY IS THE DAY...
...THAT KING GHIDORAH COMES TO EARTH.

IT--IT TOOK ALL WE HAVE JUST TO STOP GODZILLA.
AND HE ONLY HAD THE ONE HEAD. I HATE TO SAY IT, GANG, BUT I'M RUNNIN' ON FUMES HERE!
SAME. IT AIN'T LIKE THE FF TA RUN FROM A FIGHT...
...BUT WE CAN'T BEAT THAT MONSTER.
CORRECT, MORTALS. YOU CANNOT.
AND I CANNOT EITHER.
LIKE YOU, I SENSED THIS DISTURBANCE, AND ALSO LIKE YOU...
...THE SILVER SURFER CAME TO WITNESS THE COMING OF KING GHIDORAH.
"MY COSMIC SENSES CAN SCAN THE MEMORIES OF THIS CREATURE.
"IT IS AN UNSPEAKABLE DESTRUCTIVE FORCE: A BEING OF PURE MALICE, RELISHING ONLY IN DEATH AND CHAOS.

"AND THE MOMENT GALACTUS ENCOUNTERED KING GHIDORAH--THE LAST ONE LEFT ON THE PLANET AFTER THE CREATURE ITSELF DESTROYED ITS OWN WORLD...
"...WAS ALSO THE MOMENT GALACTUS FOUND A HERALD CAPABLE OF TAKING EARTH.
"THIS CREATURE NOW HAS BUT ONE MISSION: TO DESTROY WE WHO DEFEND THIS WORLD...
"...SO THAT GALACTUS CAN THEN CONSUME OUR PLANET--UNOPPOSED!"
SURFER, PERHAPS BY ATTACKING WITH THE POWER COSMIC, YOU MIGHT--
NO. THE UNBRIDLED POWER OF THIS HERALD IS LEAGUES ABOVE MY OWN. IT WOULD DESTROY ME AS EASILY AS IT WILL YOU.
BUT--WE CAN'T JES' GIVE UP! LOOK, I'LL GET A SECOND WIND, OKAY?
YEAH, WE CAN WORK TOGETHER!
"TOGETHER." EVEN NOW YOU STRANGE HUMANS SEEK AFFILIATION--EVEN COMPANIONSHIP.
PERHAPS... PERHAPS THERE IS YET A SALVATION THAT MIGHT BE SNATCHED FROM THESE SNAPPING MAWS OF DEFEAT.
IF I WERE TO SHARE MY POWER COSMIC...!
YEAH, THAT'Z MORE LIKE IT! YOU MAKE ME COSMIC, AN' WE'LL TEAM UP, AND--
NO. YOU MISUNDERSTAND. WE ARE NOT THE RIGHT PEOPLE FOR THIS FIGHT.
WE CANNOT TAKE DOWN KING GHIDORAH.

BUT GODZILLA MIGHT!
THE AGONY--UNBEARABLE! BUT I MUST PERSEVERE!
I MUST YIELD MY POWER COSMIC--IN THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY ACT OF TRUST EVER SEEN ON THIS WORLD...!
AND HOPE...
...THAT GODZILLA...
...CAN SAVE US!
I GOTCHA, SILVE--UH, REGULAR SURFER!
IS HE OKAY?
REMARKABLE! WITHOUT THE POWER COSMIC, HE'S JUST A MAN!
BUT THAT MEANS...
SMACK

RARRRGGHHH!
...COSMIC GODZILLA!
MATT'S KAIJU EXTERMINATING SERVICE

SKREEEARRGKK!
VRRRRRRRRRT
VRRRRRRRRRT
VRRRRRRRRT

IT'S NOT ENOUGH! GODZILLA IS *LOSING!*
WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF *WAITING* FOR A SECOND WIND. IF EARTH IS TO *SURVIVE*, WE *HAVE* TO FIGHT-- *NOW!*
YOU HEARD THE LADY. WHAT DO YOU SAY, STONE DOME--YOU THINK WE CAN HELP *GODZILLA?*
MATCHSTICK, YA COULDN'T HOLD ME BACK IF YA *TRIED.*
C'MON! IT'S CLOBBERING TIME!!!
FLAME ON!!!
EASY, BIG GUY-- I'M ON YOUR SIDE. SEE? I'M FIRING FLAME BLASTS AT *KING GHIDORAH*, NOT YOU!
FWOOOSH
SAY, I THINK IT GETS THE IDEA!

SKRREEEEEAARRRGGGGGKK
YES!
FANTASTIC!!!
SCREEAAAKK!
KER-SMAKK
YOU SURE YA KNOW HOW TA AIM ME LIKE THIS, BIG BRAIN?
NOT AT ALL, OLD FRIEND--BUT I'M CERTAIN WE HAVE TO TRY.
WORKS FER ME.
GANGWAY!

HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU, KID!
SMAK
SCRREEEE!
...RIGHT. HUH.
I MEBBE DIDN'T THINK THIS COMPLETELY THROUGH....!
SLAMM
RARRGH!

WE'RE MAKING THIS A FIGHT--BUT NEW YORK IS STILL BEING DESTROYED. WE NEED TO END THIS-- NOW.
IF WE COULD JUST DISTRACT KING GHIDORAH LONG ENOUGH FOR GODZILLA TO GET AN UNEXPECTED HIT IN...
SO-- WHAT, YOU'RE GOING TO TURN GODZILLA INVISIBLE?
KING GHIDORAH WIELDS THE POWER COSMIC-- IT'D STILL NOTICE THE BIG GUY, EVEN INVISIBLE.
TRUE. BUT KING GHIDORAH DEMONSTRATES ATTENTION, WHICH MEANS IT CAN BE DISTRACTED.
MY EXPERIMENT! HONEY, OF COURSE! THAT'S HOW WE DEFEAT GHIDORAH!
WAIT... CARE TA EXPLAIN THIS BIG IDEA FOR THOSE 'A US IN THE CHEAP SEATS?
WHEN I TURN THINGS INVISIBLE, BEN, I DO IT BY BENDING LIGHT AROUND THEM. BUT IF YOU CAN BEND LIGHT, YOU COULD DO A HECK OF A LOT MORE THAN JUST MAKE SOMETHING DISAPPEAR.
AND THERE'S SOMETHING I'D BEEN TRYING TO PULL OFF FOR A WHILE, AND SEEING AS HOW WE MIGHT NEVER GET ANOTHER CHANCE...
I THINK IF I FOCUS, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO ALTER SOMETHING'S APPARENT SCALE--KINDA LIKE A GIANT FUN-HOUSE MIRROR, ONLY THREE-DIMENSIONAL.
HOW'D YOU LIKE TO BE A GIANT GHIDORAH-SCALE DISTRACTION, BEN GRIMM?
WELL. YA JES' MAKE SURE TA GET MY GOOD SIDE, SUSIE Q...
...AND YOU GOT YERSELF A DEAL.

HEY! KING GHIDORAH!!!
WHY DON'TCHA PICK ON SOMEONE YER OWN SIZE, HUH??
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU BIG THREE-HEADED LUG! THE EVER-LOVIN' BLUE-EYED THING IS CALLIN' YOU OUT!
THAT AIN'T WHAT I SOUND LIKE, FLAME BRAIN!
IT'S APPROXIMATE, AND I BELIEVE GHIDORAH WON'T BE ABLE TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE.
SURE, BUT WHAT ABOUT MY ADORIN' PUBLIC? THIS IS GONNA BE ALL OVER TH' NEWS!
SCREEEEEAAK!

HEYA, "KING"! WHAT'S TH' MATTER?
CAN'T GET YER MAWS ON WHAT AIN'T REALLY THERE?
BEHIND KING GHIDORAH, GODZILLA BLENDS HIS HEAT RAY AND POWER COSMIC TOGETHER...
...FORGING A WEAPON WITH POWER ENOUGH TO KILL THE GODS.
FVRRRMM
MMMMMMMM
AND IN ONE TERRIBLE MOMENT, GODZILLA UNLEASHES IT ALL AT HIS THREE-HEADED FOE...
KRAKA-DOOOOOOM

AND THUS, EARTH FOUND ITS SALVATION IN THE EFFORTS OF FOUR REMARKABLE HEROES...
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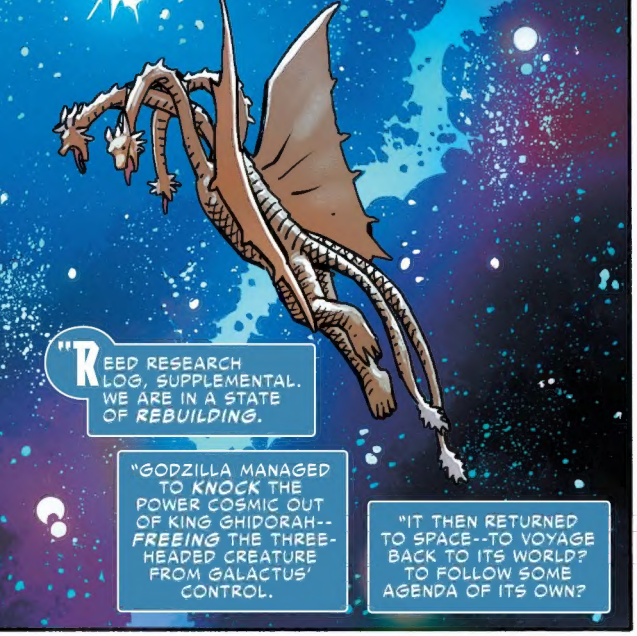
EEEEE!
RRRRRRRRRRRRARGGGGGGGH!
...AND IN A MONSTROUS CREATURE NAMED GODZILLA.

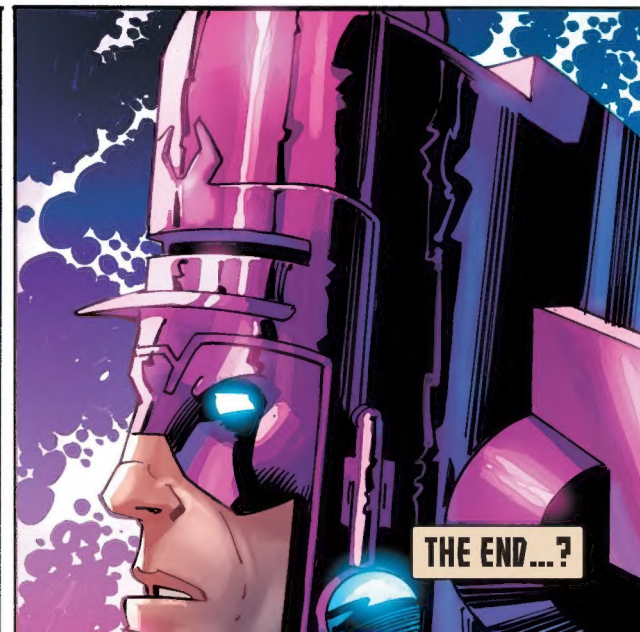

"Reed research log, supplemental. We are in a state of *rebuilding*.
"Godzilla managed to *knock* the power cosmic out of King Ghidorah--*freeing* the three-headed creature from Galactus' control.
"It then returned to space--to voyage back to its world? To follow some agenda of its own?

"It is, as yet, *impossible* to say. For its part, Godzilla *returned* to the ocean, and--
"--perhaps unexpectedly--
"--*surrendered* the power cosmic back to the Silver Surfer."

I can, however, draw conclusions from known data. We know Galactus is still out there somewhere, and we know he has designs on devouring this world.
His herald *failed*, so we must presume we've at least bought ourselves some *time* before he returns again.

But as we've learned, it may *take* a monster to *stop* a monster, a *Godzilla* versus *Galactus* battle now seems... inevitable.
And if it is...

"...can *any* of us hope to survive it?"


THE END...?

OF MONSTERS AND MARVELS!

Whew! What a fantastic ride! As I reflect on GODZILLA VS. FANTASTIC FOUR #1, I can't help but feel an overwhelming sense of pride and excitement for what Ryan North, John Romita Jr., Scott Hanna, Marcio Menyz and the rest of the team have accomplished. This issue ain't just a comic--it's an historic moment for super-hero fans and kaiju enthusiasts alike! It's the first time in decades that Godzilla has stomped its way back into the Marvel Universe, and what better way to mark its return than by pitting it against Marvel's First Family?

When we first started brainstorming this project, we knew it had to be BIG. After all, this is the King of the Monsters we're talking about! And who better to face the big lizard than Reed, Sue, Johnny and Ben? The Fantastic Four are no strangers to cosmic-level threats, but throwing Godzilla into the mix alongside King Ghidorah as Galactus' new herald? That's a whole new level of chaos! Ryan North's script balanced the high-stakes action with the heart and humor that make the Fantastic Four so beloved. His understanding of these characters shines through in every interaction, from Reed's scientific ingenuity to Ben's gruff determination. And then there's John Romita Jr.'s art. What can I say? Johnny is one of the best for a reason. Every page is packed with energy, from Godzilla's earth-shaking roars to the Silver Surfer's cosmic elegance. Johnny captures the sheer scale of this story in a way that feels both cinematic and intimate. You can feel the weight of every punch, every explosion and every moment of tension as New York City hangs on the verge of total destruction.

One of my favorite aspects of this issue is how it pays homage to Marvel's original GODZILLA: KING OF THE MONSTERS series from 1977 while pushing the boundaries of what a crossover like this can achieve. Back then, Godzilla was a force of nature rampaging through the Marvel Universe, clashing with everyone from S.H.I.E.L.D. to the Avengers to Spider-Man. This time around, he's not just a destructive force--he's an ally in a battle against an even greater threat! Seeing Godzilla emboldened with the Power Cosmic by Silver Surfer? That's something you never knew you needed until now! And let's not forget about King Ghidorah as Galactus' herald! That twist alone is worth the price of admission! Merging Toho's kaiju mythology with Marvel's cosmic lore is exactly the kind of bold storytelling that makes comics so special. It opens up endless possibilities for future stories while staying true to what makes both franchises iconic.

As we close out this first chapter in what promises to be an unforgettable six-issue event, I want to thank all of you--our readers--for your enthusiasm and support. This comic is a love letter to everything we adore about Marvel and Godzilla: larger-than-life characters, jaw-dropping action and stories that remind us why we fell in love with comics in the first place.

So, what's next? Without giving too much away, let me just say that this is only the beginning. The Fantastic Four have now faced Godzilla--but how will other Marvel heroes fare when they cross paths with such a destructive force? Stay tuned as we explore these matchups across different eras in ways you've never seen before.

Until then, keep reading, keep imagining and remember: When Marvel meets monsters, anything is possible!

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